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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
Attorney Docket No. 01-592
3COM Case No. 3676.CS.US.P

In re the Application of:)
Sanil Kumar Puthiyandyil et al.)
Serial No.: 09/923,895) Group Art Unit: 2157
Filed: August 7, 2001) Examiner: Abdullahi Elmi Salad
For: LOAD BALANCING BETWEEN) Confirmation No.: 2243
LNSs USING VIRTUAL LNS WITH)
MINIMAL LAC CONFIGURATION)

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 5, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 5, 2004, the Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.